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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application: Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A herbal health-protective, promotive-and nutraceutical formulation for women, human expectant mothers, wherein said formulation comprising:

seeds/seed products-80-90% by wt of the formulation comprising seeds or seed products, in which said seeds or seed products are selected from the group consisting of legumes, cereals and pseudocereals ranging from 80-90% by wt;

10–20% by wt<u>of the formulation comprising-of an</u> extract, said extract obtained from essential herbs/medicinal plants essential herbs or medicinal plants of the genera *Centella*, *Chlorophytum*, *Boerhaavia*, and *Sida*;

optional herbs/medicinal plants optionally herbs or medicinal plants selected from the group consisting of Withania somnifera, Pueraria tuberosa, Asparagus racemosus, and Saraca indica;

optionally milk powder;

optionally jaggery;

optionally coca powder;

optionally sugar powder; and

optionally an-acceptable effective amount of further additives selected from the group consisting of Piper, Elettaria, and Myristica.

- 2. (Currently Amended) A herbal-nutraceutical formulation as claimed in claim 1 wherein, the seeds/seed products seeds or seed products are selected from dried seeds, roasted seeds and powdered seeds.
- 3. (Previously Presented) A herbal formulation as claimed in claim 1 wherein, the legumes are selected from the group consisting of *Glycine max*, *Cicer arietinum*, *Phaseolus mungo*, *Phaseolus vulgaris*, and *Phaseolus radiatus*.

- 4. (Withdrawn) A herbal formulation as claimed in claim 1 wherein, the legumes are selected from the group consisting of *Psophocarpus tetragonolobus* and *Mucuna pruriens*.
- 5. (Currently Amended) A herbal formulation as claimed in claim 1 wherein, the total amount of legumes used in the formulation is in the range from 55-60% by wtof the formulation.
- 6. (Withdrawn) A herbal formulation as claimed in claim 1 wherein, the cereals are selected from *Triticum aestivum*, *Hordeum vulgare*, and mixtures thereof.
- 7. (Withdrawn) A herbal formulation as claimed in claim 1 wherein, the pseudocereals are selected from *Amaranthus hypochondriacus*, *Fagopyrum esculantus*, *Chenopodium quinoa*, and mixtures thereof.
- 8. (Withdrawn) A herbal formulation as claimed in claim 1 wherein, the total amount of cereals used is in the range from 15-25% by wt.
- 9. (Withdrawn) A herbal formulation as claimed in claim 1 wherein, the total amount of pseudocereal used is in the range from 20-30% by wt.
- 10. (Currently Amended) A herbal formulation as claimed in claim 1 wherein, said essential herbs or medicinal plants herbs/medicinal plant parts are selected from roots, fruits, bark, and whole plants.
- 11. (Currently Amended) A herbal formulation as claimed in claim 1 wherein, the total amount of <u>said essential herbs or medicinal plants</u> herbs/medicinal-plants used is X, wherein X ranges between 10–20% by wt of the formulation.
- 12. (Currently Amended) A herbal formulation as claimed in claim 11 wherein, the amounts of the essential herbs/medicinal plants namely *Centella asiatica, Chlorophytum* tuberosum, Boerhaavia diffusa and Sida cordifolia are used in the ranges between 10-40% by wt of X, 2-20% by wt of X, 5-30% by wt of X and 10-20% by wt of X respectively X comprises 10-40% by wt of *Centella asiatica*, 2-20% by wt of *Chlorophytum tuberosum*, 5-30% by wt of *Boerhaavia diffusa*, and 10-20% by wt of *Sida cordifolia*.

- 13. (Currently Amended) A herbal formulation as claimed in claim 12 wherein,—the amounts of the essential herbs/medicinal plants namely *Centella asiatica, Chlorophytum* tuberosum, Boerhaavia diffusa—and Sida cordifolia are used in the ranges between 16–32% by wt of X, 4–16% by wt of X and 12–16% by wt of X respectively X comprises 16–32% by wt of *Centella asiatica*, 4–16% by wt of *Chlorophytum tuberosum*, 5–24% by wt of *Boerhaavia diffusa*, and 12–16% by wt of *Sida cordifolia*.
- 14. (Currently Amended) A herbal formulation as claimed in claim 11 wherein,—the amount of the optional herbs/medicinal plants namely *Withania somnifera, Pueraria tuberosa, Asparagus racemosus* and *Saraca indica* are used in the ranges between 0–16% by wt of X, 0–24% by wt of X and 0–16% by wt of X and 0–12% by wt of X respectively X comprises 0–16% by wt of *Withania somnifera*, 0–24% by wt of *Pueraria tuberosa*, 0–24% by wt of *Asparagus racemosus*, and 0–12% by wt of *Saraca indica*.

## 15. (Canceled)

- 16. (Withdrawn) An herbal health protective, promotive and nutraceutical composition for women and expectant mothers, wherein said composition comprises a mixture of seed powder consisting of legumes, cereals and pseudocereals ranging from 44 to 52%, herbs/medicinal plants extract ranging from 5 to 13%, sugar/jaggery ranging form 20 to 35%, milk powder ranging from 0 to 20%, *Piper longum* fruit powder ranging from 0.5 to 5.0%, *Myristica fragrans* fruit powder ranging from 0 to 5.0%, *Elettaria cardamomum* seed powder ranging from 0 to 4.0% and coca powder ranging from 0 to 10%.
- 17. (Withdrawn) A composition as claimed in claim 16 wherein, the amount of legumes present in the overall seed powder mixture is in the range between 23-31% by wt.
- 18. (Withdrawn) A composition as claimed in claim 16 wherein, the amounts of cereals present in the overall seed powder mixture is in the range between 7-13% by wt.
- 19. (Withdrawn) A composition as claimed in claim 16 wherein, the amounts of psuedocereals present in the overall seed powder mixture is in the range between 10-13% by wt.

- 20. (Withdrawn) A composition as claimed in claim 16 wherein, the composition is suitable for use in the form of powder, granules, biscuits, tablets, ingots, syrups or capsules for women/human expectant mothers.
  - 21.-48. (Canceled)
- 49. (Currently Amended) A herbal formulation as claimed in claim 1 wherein, <u>said</u> seeds or seed products the seeds/seed products are Glycine max.
- 50. (Withdrawn) A herbal formulation as claimed in claim 1 wherein, the seeds/seed products are *Hordeum vulgare*.
- 51. (Withdrawn) A herbal formulation as claimed in claim 1 wherein, the seeds/seed products are *Amaranthus hypochondriacus*.